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Attorney Docket No. 97P8646US**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Inventor: B. Heimberg, et al. ✓)
Serial No.: 09/530,653 ✓)
Filed: December 22, 2000 ✓)Group Art Unit: 1775 ✓
Examiner: A. Turner ✓Title: PRODUCT, PARTICULARLY COMPONENT OF A GAS TURBINE,
WITH CERAMIC THERMAL BARRIER COATINGAssistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2001, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application. A marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims, captioned "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made, Amendment B" is included on pages 7 and 8 of this Response.

In The Claims: ✓

Please amend claims 1, 4, 6, 16 and 18 as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) An article of manufacture that can be exposed to a hot gas including a metallic base body, a bond coat and a ceramic thermal barrier coating bonded thereto, wherein the bond coat is disposed between the metallic body and the ceramic thermal